

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 111

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT REQUIRING NOTIFICATION OF CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST CONNECTICUT PHYSICIANS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2005) The Office of the Chief
- 2 State's Attorney shall notify the Department of Public Health
- 3 immediately, in writing, when criminal charges are brought against a
- 4 physician licensed by the department for (1) reckless endangerment
- 5 within the scope of the physician's medical practice, (2) manslaughter,
- 6 or (3) murder. Upon such notification, the department shall initiate an
- 7 investigation of the physician to determine whether any disciplinary
- 8 action should be taken against the physician, including possible
- 9 suspension of his or her license, while such criminal charges are
- 10 pending against the physician.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2005	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To subject physicians charged with serious crimes to more stringent oversight by the Department of Public Health.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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